

UN's Wiggins Here Thurs.

When James Russell Wiggins appears as guest of honor at Thursday night's Edward R. Murrow World Affairs Forum dinner, OPCers will be treated to a view of the UN and world affairs from one of their own colleagues.

Wiggins, until Oct. 4 editor of *The Washington Post*, now serves as US Ambassador to the UN — one of the few newspapermen to hold so high a diplomatic post.

Wiggins began his newspaper career as a reporter on a country weekly in

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CONSIDINE, DINE NAMED TO HEAD OPC'S APRIL 18 ANNUAL DINNER

The "winning team" which made OPC's 1968 Annual Awards Dinner one of the best ever has signed up again for the Club's Dinner in 1969.

At its December meeting the Board of Governors confirmed re-appointment of *Bob Considine* as Chairman and *Josef Dine* as Executive Vice Chairman of the gala event — the most prestigious on OPC's calendar — scheduled for Friday, April 18th, at the Waldorf Astoria.

Considine and Dine are expected to recruit all of the other Vice Chairmen who served effectively with them last year, as well as some new blood.

The Board also confirmed Club President *Hal Lehrman's* nomination of *Whit Burnett* as Chairman of the 1969 Awards Committee.

The appointment of Considine, Dine and Burnett, Lehrman pointed out, completes the basic machinery for all aspects of the 1969 Annual Dinner: Awards Committee Consultant *Kathleen McLaughlin* has already set into motion the preliminary procedures on entries for 17 prizes in foreign correspondence to be awarded at the Dinner. (An added starter in '69 will be a prize for "Best Cartoon on Foreign Affairs.") Similarly, Dateline Committee Chairman *Bernard Frazier* has begun the groundwork for the Club's annual magazine, which will be distributed at the April 18th Gala.

Lehrman announced formation of a new Food and Beverage Committee, and the Board confirmed his nomination of

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Pueblo Crew Shielded from Newsmen

By AL KAFF

TOKYO — Correspondents flew to South Korea from Japan, Hong Kong, Viet Nam and the United States to cover the release of the 82 surviving crew members of the *USS Pueblo* Dec. 23.

A pool of 25 reporters and photographers was allowed into the joint security area at Panmunjom from the United Nations side when Commander Lloyd M. Bucher led his crew across the Bridge of No Return from 11 months captivity in North Korea.

Bucher later held a news conference, but newsmen were not authorized to interview other members of the spy ship's crew. Coils of barbed wire were erected around the helicopter landing pad at the 21st US Medical Evacuation Hospital at Ascom City near Seoul to prevent newsmen from approaching the *Pueblo* sailors when they arrived from the Panmunjom area.

A US military policeman met each of the released crewmen when he stepped

from the helicopter and escorted him into the hospital, which was under guard.

"If anyone had arrived at the hospital without knowing what was happening, they would think the *Pueblo* crew was still in prison," one American newsmen said.

Foreign correspondents who went to Seoul from Tokyo for the release included Don Shannon, Los Angeles Times; Roger Peterson, American Broadcasting Company; Max Desfor, Phil Brown and Robert Liu of AP; Neville Petersen, Australian Broadcasting Commission; *Leon Daniel*, Virgil Kret and Maurice Wilmott of UPI; Henry Stokes, The Times of London; Jean Courdy, Office of Radiodiffusion Television Francaise; Mack Chrysler, US News and World Report; Tom Pepper, Baltimore Sun; George Syvertsen, CBS; Phil Shabecoff, The New York Times; Bernie Krisher, Newsweek; Frank Iwama, Time-Life; Frank Devine, Australian News-

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CLUB PROTESTS ARREST OF BRAZILIAN EDITOR

The OPC has protested the arrest of Alberto Dines, editor-in-chief of *Journal do Brasil*, by Brazilian authorities.

The arrest came in the midst of Brazil's most recent political crisis; Dines was released on Christmas day, a day after the OPC cable was sent.

"Dines is one of the hemisphere's most distinguished journalists. Evidence at our disposal indicates that Dines' only crime was to speak out bravely for press freedom which your country has traditionally championed," the wire, addressed to Brazilian President Arthur da Costa e Silva, read. It was signed by OPC President *Hal Lehrman* and Freedom of the Press Committee Co-Chairmen *Alan Walden* and *James Harper*.

"The Overseas Press Club, the world's largest professional society of foreign correspondents, respectfully urges your high intervention," the telegram concluded.

Get the news news.



Cameraman Jim DeSylva has trouble with Saigon police.

"Background of the news" isn't a cliché when it applies to *The Bulletin*, where newsmen describe the nuts and bolts of their reporting jobs — for the information of their colleagues. The *Bulletin's* roster includes professionals based in nearly every news capital in the world.

Athens Fritz Oppen, Radio Free Europe	Mexico City Jaime Plenn, The News
Bangkok Morrow Fromson, CBS	Miami (Caribbean) Merwin Sigale
Berlin Gary Stindt, NBC Bureau Chief	Montreal J. Patrick Finn, Montreal Star
Bonn Russell Braley, New York Daily News	Moscow Jay Axelbank
Brussels H. Peter Dreyer, Journal of Commerce	Munich David Grozier, Radio Free Europe
Buenos Aires Percy Forster, Hearst Headline Service Steve Yolen, UPI	Panama Crede Calhoun
Caracas Martin R. Reynolds, Telesistemas de Venezuela	Paris Bernard Redmont, Westinghouse Broadcasting
Copenhagen Per K.B. Amby, freelance	Rio de Janeiro Eileen MacKenzie, McGraw-Hill
Geneva Andrew Borowiec, The Washington Star	Rome Sam'l Steinman Dennis Redmont, AP
Hong Kong John Hughes, Christian Science Monitor	Saigon Beverly Deepe Dick Rosenbaum, ABC
Honolulu James F. Cunningham, The Honolulu Advertiser	San Francisco J. Q. Riznik
Istanbul Anne Turner Bruno, freelance	Santiago Martin P. Houseman, UPI
London James Picton, freelance, ABC Dan Smith, International Management	Santurce Horst Buchholz, PR Consultants, Inc.
Johannesburg Kenneth L. Whiting, AP	Sydney Peter Harvey, Newsweek
Lima Joe McGowan, Jr., AP	Tokyo Al Kaff, UPI
Lisbon Betty Wason	Vienna Fred Baer, McGraw-Hill
Madrid Enrique Meneses, Fotopress	Washington Jessie Stearns, Topeka Daily Capital
Manila Carlos Angeles, author, Pan American Airways	

PEOPLE & PLACES

By BETTY ETTER

ON THE GO: Albert Fick, North American manager and editor of Argus South African newspapers, back in NY after a five-months' tour of South Africa, Rhodesia and Europe. He was accompanied by his wife . . . **Hugh Gile Swofford**, scientific adviser, US Army Research Office, to Warren, Mich., for conference at the Tank-Automotive Command on "Manpower Considerations in the Development Process." . . . **Walter H. Diamond**, manager, Peat, Warwick, Mitchell & Co., back from visits to Honduras and British Honduras, where he advised the governments of both countries on foreign investments and tax policies. He was accompanied by his free-lance writer wife, Dorothy, who handled several travel assignments.

CHECKING IN: **Barry Bishop** from Saudi Arabia.

NEW POSTS: **Barrett McGurn**, ex-OPC prexy, who has been in Viet Nam since last June, first as acting deputy director of the US Mission press center and then as deputy director, appointed director, effective Dec. 11. McGurn joined the US Foreign service in September, 1966, and was press attache of the US Embassy in Italy until he was transferred to Saigon. As part of his job he does a daily political briefing, coupled with a military briefing done by two Army and Navy officers, and accompanied by two Vietnamese briefings, one political and one military . . . **Howard C. E. Johnson**, editor-in-chief of McGraw-Hill's Chemical Week since 1956, named to the newly created position of editorial chairman of the publication . . . **Ralph R. Schulz**, Chemical Week's executive editor, has been upped to editor-in-chief . . . **Joe C. Dine** named information consultant of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, a non-profit organization founded in 1967 to coordinate and fund non-commercial educational and television broadcasting in the US.

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Uppe at Chemical Week.

Betty Pepis Dies

Betty Pepis, syndicated home furnishings columnist, died Dec. 27 at Beth Israel Hospital in New York. She was 52.

Her column was distributed by Bell-McClure in the US and Canada. She also had held editorships in the decorating field for many leading publications, including The New York Times, Look, and House and Garden. She was author of a number of books, such as *Interior Decoration A to Z* and *Betty Pepis's Guide to Interior Decoration*.

Her writing brought her a citation from manufacturers participating in the 1951 American Furniture Mart in Chicago as well as a 1952 Dorothy Dawes Award for excellence in reporting home furnishing news.

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Minnesota. He went on to become editor of The St. Paul Pioneer Dispatch and Pioneer Press, assistant to the editor of The New York Times and managing editor and later editor of The Washington Post. He is a former president of the American Society of Newspaper Editors. Since his appointment Wiggins has been working on some of the most difficult world questions — including two all night sessions on the Middle East.

DINNER (From page 1)

James W. Trullinger as its Chairman. This Committee will work on various fronts to embellish dining and wining activities in the Clubhouse — through new menus, new dishes and even new events emphasizing food and the gourmet approach.

With receipt of official assurance from the Concordia Presseclub (Vienna) that, like OPC, the roster of the Austrian club is open to all qualified persons without discrimination in race, color, creed or sex, the Board authorized the President to exchange letters with the Vienna group establishing reciprocal privileges between the two newsmen's clubs.

A unanimous vote of tribute to the memory of the late Lou Levick, and of appreciation for his long and valuable services as Chairman of the Art Committee, was passed by the Governors.

"Lou Levick added great distinction to the Clubhouse," Lehrman said. "His taste, contacts, know-how and plain dedication brought exhibit after exhibit of fine paintings from good galleries for the adornment of OPC walls and the pleasure of OPC members. Lou will be sorely missed as well for his quiet and modest devotion to the Club. He will be very difficult to replace in the Art Committee chairmanship."

NEW YORK SCENE

Former Nuremberg Reporter to be Feted

Tues., Jan. 7 — Homecoming Reception for Baron Rudi von Wechmar, Director of the German Information Center. 5:30 p.m.

Berlin-born Ruediger von Wechmar, former reporter for the German News Agency covering the Nuremberg war crime trials, and in 1950 UP bureau chief in Bonn, will be guest of honor at this event in recognition of his return to the New York scene as the new Director of the German Information Center. Five years ago he had served a five-year appointment here as Press Attache at the German Consulate.

Most recently von Wechmar was chief correspondent for German TV's Channel 2, covering eastern bloc nations from Albania to Poland. In 1959 he was a member of the West German delegation to the Four-Power Conference in Geneva.

During WW II, von Wechmar was a lieutenant in the Afrika Corps and spent three years as a prisoner of war in the US.

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Report on Germany

Wed., Jan. 8 — Edward R. Murrow World Affairs Forum. George McGhee, Ambassador-at-Large in Washington, D.C. "Germany: A Report from Middle Europe." 12:30 p.m. \$5.00.

McGhee, a former geologist and geophysicist, entered government service in 1941 with the War Production Board. During WW II, as a lieutenant in the Navy he was awarded the Legion of Merit and three battle stars for his service in the Pacific Theater. He is presently a lieutenant colonel in the Air Force Reserve.

McGhee first became associated with the State Department following his return from military service in 1946, when he was appointed Special Assistant to the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs. Subsequently, he became Coordinator for Aid to Greece and Turkey, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern, South Asian and American Affairs, and in 1951 was named Ambassador and Chief of the American Aid Mission in Turkey.

In 1961 McGhee returned to government service as Counselor of the Department and Chairman of the Policy Planning Council. On Dec. 4 of that same year he was appointed Under Secretary for Political Affairs. He was named Ambassador to Germany in May 1963 and Ambassador-at-Large in May 1968.



McGhee

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Thurs., Jan. 9 — Edward R. Murrow World Affairs Forum. James Russell Wiggins, US delegate to the UN, formerly editor, Washington Post. "The World as Seen at the UN." Cocktails 6:30 p.m.; dinner 7:30. \$6.00. (See page 1 story.)

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Viet Nam: Fact and Fancy

Mon., Jan. 13 — Homecoming Luncheon for Murray Fromson, CBS-TV commentator. "The Illusions of Viet Nam." 12:30 p.m. \$5.00.

After three and a half years in Southeast Asia, Fromson is returning to the US for reassignment by CBS. He reports to their Chicago bureau on Jan. 15, thus ending his third tour of duty in Asia since 1951.

From his intimate experience Fromson has gained an unusual knowledge of his subject — what is and what is not real in the Viet Nam situation. Liz Weissblatt is producer of this program.

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Tues., Jan. 14 — Dinner with Frank Gervasi and Ruth Gruber, veteran Mideast correspondents. "Israel Today." Cocktails 6:30; dinner 7:30. \$6.00.

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Tues., Jan. 21 — In the Bistro. Cocktail reception for Will Oursler and Sam Summerlin, two of the Club's multiple authors of 1968.

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Wed., Jan. 22 — Colette Boky, soprano, Metropolitan Opera. "An Evening of French Songs." 8:30 p.m.

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Fri., Jan. 24 — Anzio Correspondents Reunion. Cocktails 6:30 p.m.; dinner 7:30. \$6.00.

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World-Wide Ticker

THINGS ARE JUMPING FOR VIET REPORTERS

By **DICK ROSENBAUM**

A number of Saigon-based newsmen have completed or shortly will begin parachute training with the elite South Vietnamese Army Airborne Division. The training at the Airborne headquarters at Tan Son Nhut airbase. The five jumps required for graduation are conducted near the air strip.

One of the first to complete the training was Bob Erlandson of The Baltimore Sun. Others include my wife, Thea, of Deutsche Presse Agentur, Hamburg; **Don Baker** and Terry Khoo, ABC News and Colin Leinster, Life Magazine.

The latest to complete the training and bring it into a new phase were Baker and Khoo. Terry Khoo, an ABC News film cameraman, made all five of his qualification jumps with a film camera.

The line is now forming for others interested in the training with a CBS News film crew; Don Sider, Time Magazine, and Helen Gibson, UPI, beginning training in the next few weeks.

In addition several reporters are already jump-qualified and are simply making one jump with the ARVN Airborne to receive their distinctive wings. These include AP's **Rick Merron**; Westinghouse Broadcasting Correspondent Ron Mulligan; ABC's assistant Bureau Chief Bob Faull and ABC News cameraman Lee Tae Hung.

New bosses in town include Jack Reynolds, in from NBC Tokyo to head up the NBC bureau, and **Jim Whisenant**, who takes the reins of the ABC bureau from your reporter, **Dick Rosenbaum**, who now heads toward ABC Washington. Moving to Saigon from Washington is ABC's Bob Faull to take the number two job in the bureau.

Several Saigon-based newsmen have journeyed to Paris to cover the expanded peace talks. Traveling with Vice-President Nguyen Cao Ky were Wendell "Bud" Merrick, US News and World Report, and London newspaperman Ian Ward. Traveling earlier to Paris were Bernard Kalb, CBS News, and **Joel Blocker**, Newsweek Magazine Saigon Bureau Chief.

A number of Viet Nam veterans are packing these days for new assignments. These include **Beverly Deepe**, Christian Science Monitor; **John Randolph**; **Kenneth Bernstein**, NBC News, returns to Moscow; **Sol Sanders**, US News and World Report, returns to Bangkok;



TOKYO SAILORS: Horace "Tubby" Abrams (center), Manager, Keystone Pictures, receives a plaque recognizing him as Founding Commodore of the Press Club Yacht Squadron (PCYS) during brief ceremonies at the Foreign Correspondents Club of Japan. The award was presented by Henry J. Hartzenbusch (right), AP Bureau Chief, President, Foreign Correspondents Club and Honorary Commodore PCYS. Watching presentation is Norman W. Williams (left), General Manager, Newsweek Pacific Edition and Commodore-elect of the PCYS for 1969.

George Allen heads for Washington; George Syvertson moves to CBS Tokyo; Bob Goralski, NBC News, returns to Washington; Bill Tuohy, LA Times, to Beirut; Bob Wildau, Time Magazine, to New York for reassignment; **Peter Leyden**, previously headed to ABC Hong Kong instead heads towards ABC Tokyo; Mert Perry and Bob Stokes, Newsweek magazine both, moving to Chicago; and AP's **Hugh Mulligan**, an OPC board member, has wrapped up his latest Viet Nam stint and is headed home.

Recent arrivals in Saigon include ABC's **Kenneth Gale**, back for second tour; Frank Mariano, a two-tour veteran as a helicopter pilot in the US Army is back to work with ABC News; Bob Jones joins NBC News Saigon (Bob formerly was here for the Honolulu Advertiser), and **David Mason**, formerly at AP Paris bureau, moves to Saigon as AP political reporter.

Visitors to Saigon in recent days have included Nick Archer, ABC's Director of News Services, and Jack Bush, Director of Films, ABC News; Time, Inc. President **James A. Linen**, who also worked in a visit with his son, Lieutenant John Linen, a public information officer with the 1st Infantry Division. Others in town included **Ron Ross**, Minneapolis Tribune; **Murray Fromson**, CBS Bangkok, and Roger Peterson, ABC Tokyo.

And taking over the job of reporting from Saigon for The Bulletin will be **Jim DeSylva**, ABC News, and **Andy Guthrie**, NBC News.

CUT CABLE SERVICE FOR PARIS REPORTERS

By **BERN REDMONT**

PARIS—Press Wireless closed down its Paris office Jan. 1, throwing many newsmen on the mercies of Telefrance and the French Post Office and Telecommunications Ministry. The result will be that messenger service will be almost non-existent after 8 p.m. and on Sundays. Newsmen here are trying to organize some other system to provide for adequate transmission, but it looks like a sad future for speedy press cables from now on.

The Anglo-American Press Association held its annual gala dinner and cabaret at Maxim's and packed in a record crowd of close to 200.

The International Journalists Ski Club is holding its annual encounter at Bad Gastein, Austria, Feb. 3-7.

Garrick Utley, formerly in West Germany and the Far East, is new NBC bureau chief in Paris.

New faces, permanent and temporary, at the Viet Nam peace talks in Paris: Michael Goldsmith and Arthur Gavshon, AP; Paul Hoffman, NY Times; Elie Abel, NBC; Barrie Dunsmore, ABC; Marquis Childs, syndicated columnist; Rod MacLeish and Carl Rowan, Westinghouse Broadcasting commentators. **William Attwood**, Look, also visited Paris.

Nicholas King, former US Embassy press attache, posted to the UN and then to Saigon, has resigned from the US Government and is now in the States scouting a new assignment.

PEACE BEAT: BAD PHASE FOR NEWS CORPS

By ANDREW BOROWIEC

SAIGON — The big Air Viet Nam jetliner carrying Vice President Nguyen Cao Ky and his delegation to Paris unceremoniously turned its tail at the Tan Son Nhut airport "salon d'honneur."

Hot air from the reactors lashed without discrimination at the faces of the apostolic delegate, diplomats, bodyguards and disgruntled newsmen.

Then the plane taxied away and the press gave a sigh of relief.

Nasty Phase

For the Saigon press corps — strength approximately that of a VC main force battalion — it was the end of a nasty phase.

That phase began on Oct. 16 when US Ambassador Ellsworth Bunker for the first time met with President Nguyen Van Thieu to discuss the possibility of expanded peace negotiations.

After countless ups and downs, rumors and counter-rumors, the bombing halt, the Vietnamese sulking and diplomatic snubs, the Saigon delegation was finally off Dec. 7.

The press battalion more or less happily returned to its usual preoccupations: reporting clashes and sweeps, battalion and multi-battalion operations, air strikes and secondary explosions,

IR 8 rice planting success, the continuing pacification success and, no small matter, the progress of the country's railway system.

The period between Oct. 16 and Dec. 7 was, by common agreement, a bitch. No one was saying anything, speculation was rife, the truth obscured.

The Saigon press corps, most of it veterans of battles or at least military briefings, was not quite equipped to cope with all this.

Strategy Masters

Politics has not always been Saigon's journalistic forte. The accredited newsmen are masters in strategy, night assaults, logistics. Although merely assimilated majors, they could easily take charge of brigade — hell, even a division.

In Saigon, newsmen move flags on staff maps as deftly as two-star generals. They estimate in a flash how many helicopters are needed to airlift two battalions of 1st Cav. They know the rate of venereal disease in every major base area.

They are all experts on friendly and enemy weapons and rattle off compli-

cated terminology like the graduates of the War College.

Political Confusion

But politics, particularly of the Vietnamese kind, is a different thing. Ky was sulking and refused to see American reporters. Thieu occasionally made a confusing statement. Linh, head of Vietnampress, was grimly commenting in four letter words or longer, more sophisticated French expressions. Information Minister Ton That Thien was screaming charges at the United States but it appeared that he was doing it in his own rather than in his government's name.

Ambassador Bunker, his usual cool, polite and patrician self, occasionally entertained some newsmen for dinner. There, however, the main voice was that of intrepid master strategist Joseph Alsop, on a visit (or rather inspection tour) in Viet Nam. The enemy, according to the eminent columnist, was crumbling and all he needed was a little push in the Tay Ninh province to collapse. The rest, my good fellow, is fiddlesticks.

Yet, finally, things began to take shape. Alsop went off to battle, the Vietnamese delegation was formed and was off — reluctantly, but off.

The Saigon press corps, once again, was the master of the battlefield and off to better things.

BUREAU CHIEF'S XMAS PRESENT: HIS FAMILY

LIMA — Joe McGowan Jr., AP Bureau chief in Lima, had a most welcome Christmas present — his wife and young son, Joe H. Mrs. McGowan had been visiting with her parents in Denver, Colorado, while McGowan got settled in his new post in Peru — he was transferred to Lima after three years in New Delhi. She and young Joe flew to Peru Dec. 19, in time for the holidays.

John Goshko, South American correspondent for the Washington Post, is preparing to leave Lima about Jan. 1, to transfer the Post's office to Buenos Aires. Goshko will have the same duties as during the past two and a half years in Lima, but will operate from Argentina. The move leaves McGowan as the only American full-time resident correspondent in Peru.

Recent visitors to Lima included Jerry O'Leary of The Washington Star, Hy Maidenber of New York Times, and David Belknap, Los Angeles Times, plus Herbert Davidson, publisher Daytona Beach (Fla.) News-Journal and Mrs. Davidson, on an ocean cruise.

POST NAMES CARPER

By JESSIE STEARNS

WASHINGTON — Elsie Carper has been named woman's editor of The Washington Post. Elsie, who joined the newspaper in 1941 and has recently reported from the US Senate on District affairs, replaces Marie F. Sauer, who retires after 23 years with the paper.

She will direct the woman's staff as part of "Style," a new section of The Post. James McC. Truitt, Washington correspondent for Newsweek, rejoins The Post as editor of "Style."

Jim Atkins, press man for the National Milk Producers, reports that organization's officers were the first national farm group to present its views to Dr. Clifford M. Hardin, Agriculture Secretary-designate.

Frank J. Jordan, director of Election Operations, NBC News, succeeds William B. Monroe, Jr., as director of News, Washington. Latter is now Washington editor for NBC-TV's "Today."

Pulitzer winner for 1958 Clark R. Mollenhoff, Washington correspondent for The Des Moines Register and Tribune, is high on the list to head the US Information Agency. Another name mentioned is that of John Daly, who quit as VOA director in June.

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papers Service; Barry Riddell, Reuters, and Selig Harrison, The Washington Post.

NBC sent Bill Wordham from Los Angeles, Grant Wolfkill from Hong Kong and Liz Trotta from Saigon. CBS moved in Kurt Volkert from Bangkok and Bob Shackne from New York. Volkert will remain in the Tokyo bureau. CBS's Igor Oganessoff returned to Tokyo from New York to handle the satellite feed. Others covering the Pueblo included Gareth Parry of the London Express, stationed in Saigon, and Charlie Mohr, of The New York Times' Hong Kong bureau.

From Taipei comes an announcement that Spencer Moosa, one of journalism's old China hands, retires Dec. 31 after 30 years with AP in China and Taiwan. Moosa left Chengtu, Szechwan Province, aboard the same aircraft that carried President Chiang Kai-shek to Taipei in 1949 when China fell to the Communists. It was the last plane to leave Chengtu before the Communist army arrived.

Thomas M. Coffey of The Macmillan Company has arrived in Tokyo to gather material for a book about Japan and has joined the Foreign Correspondents Club.

Letters

SAYEGH STORY

The Bulletin's frontpage coverage of Dr. Fayez Sayegh's denunciation of "Zionists" at the Murrow Forum of Dec. 3rd by Bulletin chairman *Joseph Harrow* was nicely objective, to be sure, as a good newsstory should be.

But — though I know newsman Joe as a fine reporter — I'm afraid that willy-nilly he fell into the PR trap of Arab expatriates by playing up their "Zionism" punchline which, incidentally, is the hogwash now similarly sloshed up by Krem satellite Gomulka in Warsaw.

Joe couldn't mean it, of course, but in the interest of editorial objectivity he inadvertently gave Sayegh's specious canard more lead than warranted.

Charles Raddock
New York

REPORTER'S REPLY

Nothing "inadvertent" about it at all. Ditto on falling "into PR trap" etc.

Dr. Sayegh was a guest speaker of the Club and was covered as objectively as I could see fit. His comments are clearly open to critical response, which is, of course also the point of such coverage.

Mr. Raddock confuses reporting with editorializing which latter the Sayegh story is obviously not.

-J. Harrow

NO WORSHIPPER, HE

I hope I shall not seem ungrateful for the OPC's fine hospitality if I mildly object to the lead of your article about me in the Dec. 15 issue.

Reporting the Book Night dinner occasioned by my "The Case for de Gaulle: an American Viewpoint," The Bulletin describes me as a "sincere worshipper at the shrine" of de Gaulle. The implication, which I am sure was unintended, is clearly that I regard the General as a godlike figure, without faults.

Nobody who reads my book will get this impression. From the first page, in fact, I make clear my own reservations and criticisms. The main thesis of the book is, in brief, that on the major issues that divide the United States and France, de Gaulle has a strong case; that it can be maintained that his actions have been not only in the interest of France but also in the interest of the United States. A secondary thesis is that we have been reporting the French side of the story poorly. If we had not, I would not have felt impelled to offer the French case in this form.

Like almost anybody in his right mind, I am an admirer of de Gaulle. Worshipper, no. *John L. Hess, Paris*

WHAT PLANS TO COVER CHINA?

The article "The Long, Quiet Campaign To See Beyond The Bamboo Curtain" by UPI Foreign Editor *Jack Fallon* in The Bulletin on December 14 raises, for me, an interesting question

about future coverage of mainland China.

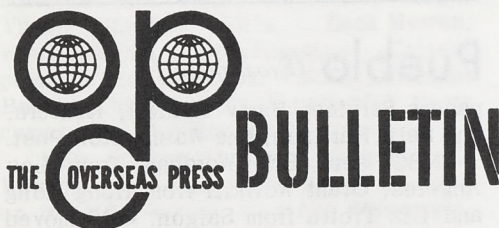
I know that UPI, like other western news organizations, has good people in Hong Kong and Tokyo trying to figure out what is happening in China and what that may mean for the rest of the world. I am glad to see that UPI intends to rely on such people "unless and until trained, knowledgeable staffers can go through the curtain" to places like mainland China.

The question which occurs to me, however, is this: What is UPI doing to make reasonably sure that when, and that year must inevitably come, the powers that be in mainland China decide to let American journalists in, those men it sends in are trained and knowledgeable?

Does UPI presently have any non-Chinese Americans who can read a People's Daily editorial, decipher a scrawled wall poster, or interview people in China without the rarely-ever objective interpreter? Or does UPI now have in Taiwan, a handy China in microcosm, a young man with both Asian studies and journalistic background who is boning up on his Chinese while he gets what I would consider valuable on-the-job training? If there is one such man, that's a fine start, but there should be more than one because China's a pretty big place. If there are no such persons available or planned for, I wonder why not? Chinese and journalism take more than a few months to learn.

Could Mr. Fallon fill me in? Others might be interested too.

Loren Fessler, Hong Kong



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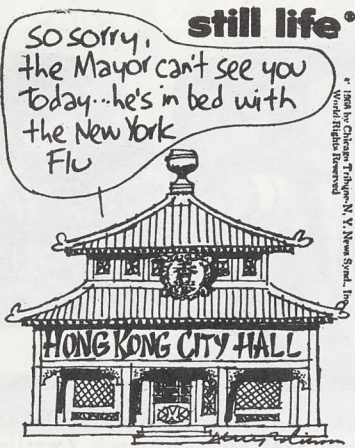
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Youngsu Kim — Acting political editor, Joong-ang Ibo, Seoul, Korea.

Jon Philip Nordheimer — Associate editor, Tropic, the Sunday magazine of The Miami Herald.

Nicholas Wetherill Stroh — Reporter, The Philadelphia Bulletin.

By Jerry Robinson



NEW YORK SCENE

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Tues., Jan. 28 - Homecoming Dinner for Richard Halloran, SE Asia correspondent for the Washington Post. Cocktails 6:30; dinner 7:30. \$6.00.

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YOLEN TO MEET WITH LATAM OPC MEMBERS

Past President Will Yolen, embarking on a six-week tour of Latin America, will visit OPC members in those countries and will be prepared to discuss and relay their opinions on Club matters.

Yolen will be on tour for his much-publicized International Kitefliers Association, meeting with leading flyers of Argentina, Brazil, Mexico, Panama, Chile and Peru. The tour starts with a kite bash Jan. 19 at the Sandcastle in Sarasota, Fla. Yolen says he'll be flying the OPC banner and the Overseas Yacht Club burgee at kiteflying events.

TAX BOOKLETS AVAILABLE TO OVERSEAS OPCERS

Copies of Tax Guide for U.S. Citizens Abroad are available through the OPC for any overseas member. Requests should be sent to the Club to the attention of Mrs. Beth Fine.

The booklet, prepared by the Internal Revenue Service, is an aid for overseas citizens in preparing their tax returns. The IRS supplied these through courtesy of Edward J. Fitzgerald, IRS District Director at 120 Church St. in NYC.

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PEOPLE & PLACES

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ARTICLES: January issue of Good Housekeeping carries **Ben Merson's** by-line on a piece entitled "The Town That Refused to Die," the tale of Garrison, Montana, where the citizens, being strangled by air pollution, fought back and won against great odds. Merson also has two articles coming up in Ladies' Home Journal: "What Too Much Medicine Can Do to a Woman" and "The Case Against Orthodontia" . . . **Larry Stessin's** "The Businessman in Fiction, a Critical Essay," in the Winter Issue of The Literary Review . . . **Don Munson** in the December issue of Yankee Magazine with an article on "Vermont's Amazing Zerach Colburn." She was a mathematical prodigy of the 18th century . . . "Indian Giving" by **Frederic V. Grunfeld** in the Winter issue of Horizon Magazine . . . Los Angeles Times is carrying a series by **Isaac Don Levine**, whose new book, "Anatomy of the Invasion," is due from David McKay early this year.

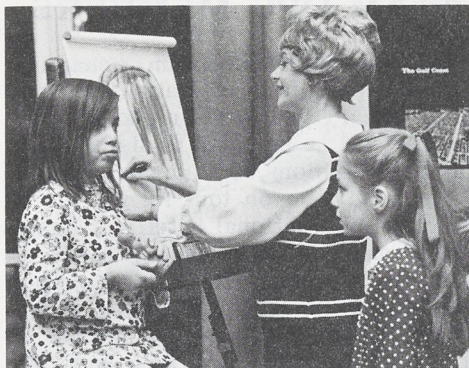
BOOKS: Avon Books has just published a paperback reprint of "The GI War: 1941-45" by **Ralph G. Martin**, who also has two new books in the works. The first of a two-volume biography, "Jennie: The Life of Lady Randolph Churchill," is due Jan. 23 from Prentice Hall, and his 20th book, the story of Lincoln Center, is scheduled for publication next summer . . . New member **Elva Mangold** watching with astonishment the progress of one of her short stories, "The Land of Room Enough," the tale of a Puerto Rican boy first published in her book, "First Story Job." Now the story has gone into a Dell anthology, "The Out-numbered," is being issued by Noble & Noble in "Cross-roads" and has been picked by Simon & Schuster for a textbook on ethnic and minority groups due in the spring . . . **Juliet Lowell's** "Dear Doctor" reviewed as "exceedingly entertaining and howlingly funny" in the Journal of the American Medical Association . . . From his



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Children's Hour



A taste of Christmas came a few days early for youngsters of OPC members at the annual Children's Christmas Party Dec. 17. Kay Kato (shown sketching Susannah Zwerling in photo, left) made color chalk portraits of the young partygoers, and Jerry the Juggler (photo right) had everyone, including adults, delighted with his slight-of-hand. Besides ice cream, soda pop, candy and cookies, children received gift toys made available by Allen Lloyd. The party was arranged by Anita Diamant Berke and Madeline D. Ross.

(Photos by Sibby Christensen)

winter work shack at Cedar Key, Fla., **Charles Morrow Wilson** reports that three of his old books are being resurrected: Walt Disney has bought the rights to one of his "greatly dying children's books"

. . . Greenwood Press is republishing two of his long-gone non-fictions, "Tropics: World of Tomorrow" (Harpers, 1950) and "Grass and People" (U. of Florida Press, 1960). But Wilson is not just lazing in his hammock, resting on his laurels. Early in 1969, Funk & Wagnalls is bringing out his "Fight Against Hunger," a sort of chronicle of his 40 years as a country correspondent, and ahead is his "Satyr in Arkansas: A Reach of Ozarks Telling Stories" and an updated bio of William Jennings Bryan (Doubleday).

RADIO & TV: Among the NBC news correspondents touring five major cities Jan. 5-11 is **John Rich**, from Tokyo . . . **Ben Grauer** covered the New Year's Eve celebration at Times Square for NBC, as he's done for years . . . **Leo Cherne** made some predictions re wages, prices and taxes for 1969 on the Martha Deane Show (WOR) Jan. 2.

SPEAKERS: **Elmer Lower**, prexy of ABC news, spoke Dec. 20 before the National Commission of the Causes and Prevention of Violence in Washington, D.C. . . . **Bernard Lewis** conducting a course in the marketing, advertising, promotion and distribution of motion pictures at NYU.

HONORS: **Lester Markel**, who retired recently as Sunday editor of the NY Times, the subject of a laudatory piece in Times Talk for December, bylined by Daniel Schwarz . . . **Milan B. Skacel** named president of the Chamber of Commerce of Latin America in the US. . . . **Joe Grossman**, of USIA in Washington, who is secretary of the World Professional Marathon Swimming Federation, elected

to the board of directors of the Swimming Hall of Fame in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. . . . **Jerry Landay**, chief of the Group W (Westinghouse) foreign news service, elected president of the Association of American Correspondents in London for 1969. **Dick O'Regan**, AP London bureau chief, is vice president. . . . **Jack Frummer** elected a member of the board of directors of Hunter College Opera . . . **Louis Weintraub** elected a vice president and PR counsel of the Citizens Budget Commission.

PUZZLER: **Dick Hanley's** multi-exposure color montage of Times Square at night is the subject of a Springbok Original jigsaw puzzle just released.

MARRIED: **Helen M. Zotos** was married at high noon on Christmas Day to Capt. Robert F. Farrington, US Navy retired. After a reception at the Acropole Restaurant, they had a brief honeymoon in Clearwater, Fla., and are now at home at 9230 Park Lane, Oxon Hill, Md. OPC friends at the ceremony included **Julia Edwards**, Mr. and Mrs. **Arthur Holzman** and **Jessie Stearns**. Capt. Farrington is now an analyst and executive of the Systems Research Corp. in Washington; Helen will continue as special assistant to the Secretary of Commerce.

RETIRING: **W. Rice Yahner**, a PR official for the DuPont Company the last 24 years, retired at the end of the year.

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